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Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Below the heading "CROSS-REFERENCES TO RELATED APPLICATIONS," please add

--This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/493,953, filed January 28, 2000, entitled "In-Line Programming System and Method," the disclosure of which is incorporated by reference.--

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